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DIVISIONAL APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of  
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For (title):

Assembly Having a Spring-Loaded Tandem Control Valve

1. Type of Application

This new application is for a

☒ Divisional.

2. Benefit of Prior U.S. Application(s) (35 U.S.C. 119(e), 120, or 121)

☒ The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. application.  
Enclosed are ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL  
WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION(S) CLAIMED.

3. Papers Enclosed

A. Required for Filing Date under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)

33 Pages of Specification  
4 Pages of Claims  
6 Sheets of Drawing  
☒ Formal

B. Other Papers Enclosed

1 Page of Abstract

**4. Additional Papers Enclosed**

- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (37 C.F.R. 1.98)  
☒ Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)

**5. Declaration or Oath**

- ☒ Enclosed  
 Executed by  
☒ inventors.

**6. Inventorship Statement**

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is:

- ☒ The same.

**7. Language**

- ☒ English

**8. Assignment**

- ☒ An assignment of the invention to  
☒ will follow.

**9. Certified Copy**

Certified copy of application

GERMANY	198 16 463.7	April 14, 1998
Country	Application No.	Filed

from which priority is claimed

- ☒ will follow.  
☐ was filed in parent application No. 09/687,971

**10. Small Entity Statements: Not Applicable****11. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time**

- ☒ Enclosed
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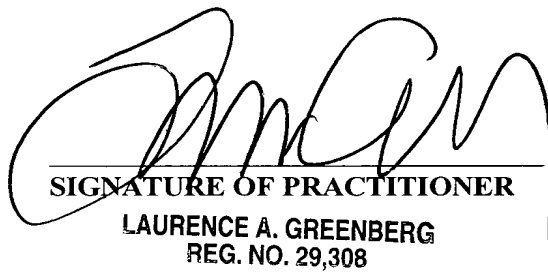
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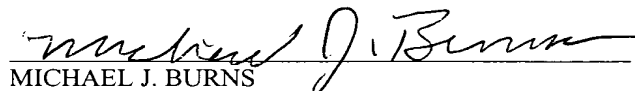
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**ADDED PAGE FOR SPECIAL COMMENTS FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

This divisional application claims the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of U.S. application No. 09/687,971, filed October 16, 2000, which was a continuation of International application PCT/DE99/01024, filed April 6, 1999, which designated the United States, and which was not published in English.

☒ **Incorporation by reference of added pages**

*(check the following item if the application in this transmittal claims the benefit of prior U.S. application(s) (including an international application entering the U.S. stage as a continuation, divisional or C-I-P application) and complete and attach the ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION(S) CLAIMED)*

☒ Plus Added Pages for New Application Transmittal Where Benefit of Prior U.S. Application(s) Claimed

Number of pages added 1

☒ Plus Added Pages for Papers Referred to in Item 4 Above

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☐ Plus added pages deleting names of inventor(s) named on prior application(s) who is/are no longer inventor(s) of the subject matter claimed in this application.

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